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SUBJECT: GROUP TRAVEL: FILIPINO BUSINESSMEN ASSOCIATION  
(FBA) OF LOS ANGELES, INC.

1. USDOC HAS JUST RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FROM SUBJECT ORGANIZATION OF ITS PLANS TO VISIT MANILA WITH A GROUP OF AMERICAN AND FILIPINO BUSINESSMEN DURING THE PERIOD APRIL 16-31, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPLORING INVESTMENT AND MARKET OPPORTUNITIES IN THE PHILIPPINES.
2. ACCORDING TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GROUP (PRESIDENT, FBA) BING PADUA, THE GROUP WILL CONSIST OF TWELVE INDIVIDUALS INCLUDING HIMSELF AND THE FILIPINO VICE CONSUL AND COMMERCIAL ATTACHE, HEADQUARTERED IN LOS ANGELES. THE GROUP HAS RESERVATIONS AT THE MANILA HILTON.
3. THE GROUP LEADER, MR. PADUA, IS INTERESTED IN RECEIVING AN EMBASSY ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL BRIEFING FOR THE GROUP WHILE IN MANILA AND PLANS TO CONTACT THE EMBASSY UPON  
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ARRIVAL IN MANILA. NO OTHER ASSISTANCE HAS BEEN INDICATED AT THIS TIME. THIS IS NOT COMMERCE SPONSORED IOGA TRADE MISSION AND THEREFORE NO COMMITMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE ON BEHALF OF THE EMBASSY. ALL OTHER ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE

GROUP HAVE BEEN COORDINATED THROUGH THE LOS ANGELES CONSULATE, ACCORDING TO MR. PADUA. NORMAL COURTESIES AND

EMBASSY ASSISTANCE EXTENDED TO SUCH ORGANIZATIONS MOST  
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